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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| Application Number | 09/840,683 | | | | |
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| Name The Director is | s authorized to | o: (check all that apply) | | 1053 | 130 | 1053 | | Non-English specification | | |
| | (s) indicated be | | verpayments | 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | | |
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| 1. BASIC F | | ALGOLATION | | 1252 | 420 | 2252 | 210 | Extension for reply within second month | | |
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| 1001 770 | 2001 385 | Utility filing fee | | 1255 | 2,010 | 2255 | 1,005 | Extension for reply within fifth month | | |
| 1002 340 | 2002 170 | Design filing fee | | 1401 | 330 | 2401 | 165 | Notice of Appeal | | |
| 1003 530 | 2003 265 | Plant filing fee | | 1402 | 330 | 2402 | 165 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | <u></u> | |
| 1004 770 | 2004 385 | Reissue filing fee | | 1403 | 290 | 2403 | 145 | Request for oral hearing | | |
| 1005 160 | 2005 80 | Provisional filing fee | | 1451 | 1,510 | 1451 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | | |
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| 2. EXTRA | CLAIM FEE | S FOR UTILITY ANI | | 1501 | 1,330 | 2501 | 665 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | | |
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| 1202 18 1201 86 | 2202 1 2201 4 | 9 Claims in excess of 203 Independent claims in a | | 1809 | 770 | 2809 | 385 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | | |
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